

Public Notice



DEPARTMENT OF
ECOLOGY
State of Washington

Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

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Application for State of Washington Water Quality Certification and Coastal Zone Management Act Consistency

NOTE: This is the second public notice issued for this project:

- Cedar Grove Composting re-applied for certification of this project on August 11, 2009. The project scope has not changed.

Interested parties are hereby notified that the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has received an application to perform work in waters of the United States as described below.

Ecology will review the work pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, with applicable provisions of State water pollution control laws and the Coastal Zone Management Act.

This public notice is consistent with the requirements of Section 401 of the federal Clean Water Act and Chapter 173-225 of Washington Administrative Code. This notice is only intended to inform all interested parties of the proposed projects and to seek comments from the public, local, state, federal, and tribal agencies. It does not indicate approval of the proposed projects by any state agency.

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Project Name:

- Cedar Grove Expansion
Site on Smith Island

Public Notice Date: 8/19/09

Comment Period Ends: 9/8/09

Comments should be sent to:

Department of Ecology
SEA Program
Federal Project Coordinator
Post Office Box 47600
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Location

3620 36th PI NE, Smith Island, Everett, Wetlands, Union/Steamboat Sloughs, Snohomish County, WRIA 7, S. 5, T. 29N, R. 5E.

Purpose

Expansion of Cedar Grove Composting's capacity to recycle an annual total of 620,000 tons of organic waste generated within King and Snohomish Counties.

Work

Fill 14.11 acres of non-tidal wetland, including associated ditches, and 36 acres of adjoining upland. Construct access roads and concrete equipment pads on the 50-acre site. Install anaerobic digesters and expand aerobic in-vessel composting system, install finished compost storage piles, and install electric power generating gas turbines or gas compression and storage units.

Mitigation includes restoration and establishment of estuarine and palustrine emergent wetlands on 16.08 acres bordering the existing and proposed facilities.

Comment and Review Period

Ecology is requesting comments from the public, state and local agencies, tribes, and other interested parties to evaluate the impacts of each proposed activity.

Anyone wanting to present their views about this project may do so by providing written comments within 21 days of the publication date of this notice. Conventional mail or e-mail comments on this public notice will be accepted and made part of the record.

Ecology will evaluate all the comments received to determine whether to approve, approve with conditions, or deny a certification for the proposed work.